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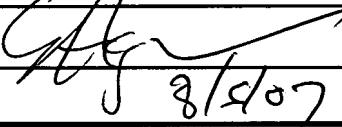
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

In response to the outstanding Office Action mailed May 7, 2007, please amend the above-identified application as follows: